



**Commission on Children and Youth
Annual Planning Retreat: Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2020
Meeting held via Microsoft TEAMS (virtual)**

Members Present via Microsoft TEAMS: Kirsten Andersen, Stephanie Clark, Leslie Copeland-Tune, Luciana Crotti-Espinoza, Lynne Harris, Jerome Jackson, Alex Kern, Renae McPherson, Stephanie Nesmith, Jeanett Peralta, Julie Reiley, Andrea Shore, and Shané Tate

Members Absent: Ijeoma Okoro and Pamela Taylor

Staff Present: Erin Stillwell (DHHS)

Renae McPherson, chair, called the annual planning retreat to order at 7:07 pm

- Welcome from new chair (Renae Mc Pherson) and vice chair (Stephanie Nesmith)
- Chair provided opening remarks about hosting meeting via Microsoft TEAMS
- Roll Call of Commissioners; no guests identified

Ice Breaker Activity/Opening Discussion

Commissioners were asked to consider and share responses to the following ice breaker question:

What is one issue about or relating to children and youth that has become more highlighted for you since the pandemic started? What do you understand now that you may not have before March 2020?

Meeting Summary Review and Vote: Review and vote June 10, 2020 meeting summary

ACTION: Motion to approve the meeting summary for June 10, 2020

Motion: Lynne Harris

Second: Kirsten Andersen

Current Commission Business:

- Confirmed 2020-21 CCY Commission Calendar
- Erin Stillwell (staff liaison) provided update on membership

Review of CCY Priorities from 2019-20 commission year (Renae McPherson)

Brainstorming Activity for 2020-2021 commission year priorities

Discussion and Vote on 2020-21 Priorities

ACTION: The CCY voted to include the following as their top two priorities for the commission year:

- Continuation of Youth/Law Enforcement Relationship priority
- Umbrella Priority: Coordinated equitable schools and supports for the well-being of children and youth.

Announcements:

- Sunday-Unity Faith Walk (Stephanie C.)
- BCC Chairs met with Dr. Raymond Crowel; Comm. on Health will be preparing a joint statement on racial equity and social justice (Renae M.)
- MD Mentor will be hosting a mentor challenge (Shané T.)

Full Commission adjourned at 8:50 p.m. and subcommittee breakout meetings.

Next full commission meeting October 7, 2020 7-9 p.m.